

Wilson-Warner, Inc.
(David Wilson House)
Odesa, Delaware

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA
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Historic American Buildings Survey
Weston H. Blake, District Officer
909 West Street, Wilmington, Delaware

WILSON-WARNER HEE
(DAVID WILSON HOUSE)
Odessa, New Castle County, Delaware.

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Owner: David Wilson Mansion, Inc.

Date of Erection: 1769.

Present Condition: Good.

Number of Stories: Two and a half and basement.

Materials of Construction: Stone foundations, brick walls above, Flemish bond, wood floors, trim, etc. Metal roof modern. Stone trim.

Other Existing Records: Bennett, G. F., "Early Architecture of Delaware," Scharf, J. Thomas., "History of Delaware", page 1005. National Society of Colonial Dames, "Some Historical Points in Delaware."

Additional Data: One of the finest houses of the Colonial period in Delaware. Note the 12 over 12 light sash and the excellent classic doorway with engaged columns and ornamented cornice, also the bold proportions of the interior trim. Now houses the Corbit Library of 8,000 volumes and the Mary Corbit Wilson Museum, and is open to the public. The date 1769 is taken from the date stone of entrance door, placed there in recent years by descendants of original family and is believed to be authentic. Scharf, however, placed the date of erection three years later, in 1772.


District Officer

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